

Should the U.S. & Canada Merge?

Choose the best answer for each of the following questions.

- 1. Which of these is NOT cited in the article as something the U.S. and Canada have in common?**
 - a many shared values
 - b an economy based on free enterprise
 - c a strong military force
 - d a government built on democratic principles
- 2. According to the author, nations in distress should**
 - a focus only on internal societal problems.
 - b enlist the help of China and other emerging economies.
 - c beef up border security.
 - d behave like businesses.
- 3. Which is true of Canada's population?**
 - a It is homogeneous, unlike the multicultural U.S. population.
 - b It is one of the fastest-growing populations in the world.
 - c It is aging rapidly.
 - d none of the above
- 4. What problem is occurring at the U.S.-Canada border, according to the article?**
 - a There is little security to reduce the risk of terrorism.
 - b Canada is refusing to accept imports of most U.S.-made goods.
 - c Illegal immigration from Canada to the U.S. is rampant.
 - d An increase in border traffic has created bottlenecks.
- 5. Which of these is NOT a reason that China has been seeking influence in Canada?**
 - a Canada's enormous labor force
 - b Canada's access to the Arctic
 - c Canada's undeveloped resources
 - d Canada's oil sands
- 6. The author of the article argues that Canada needs U.S. investment and expertise to**
 - a make its land suitable for farming.
 - b tap into its mineral wealth.
 - c recover from a prolonged drought.
 - d reduce its skyrocketing unemployment rate.

IN-DEPTH QUESTIONS

- 7. Why do you think much of Canada has been unexplored by humans?**

- 8. How do you think China's growing involvement in Canada could affect the U.S.?**

Neighboring Nations

Use information from the article "Should the U.S. & Canada Merge?" to compare and contrast the two nations in the organizer below. Include facts about trade, their economies, demographics, resources, challenges, and more.

UNITED STATES

BOTH

CANADA

SYNTHESIZE: Based on your notes above, write a short essay arguing whether the U.S. and Canada are more alike or different.